

Arizona Juvenile Justice Commission DMC Committee Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family

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A general meeting of the Arizona Juvenile Justice Commission (AJJC) DMC Committee was convened March 1, 2019, at the Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family, 1700 West Washington Street, Suite 230, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, notice having been duly given.

Members Present (3)	
Helen Gándara, Chair	Alice Bustillo
Jennifer Ortiz	
Staff/Guests Present (1)	Members Absent (1)
Steve Selover, GOYFF	Earl Newton

Call to Order

• Ms. Helen Gándara, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. with three members and one staff present.

Welcome/Introductions

Members present introduced themselves.

Approval of Minutes

- Ms. Gándara, Chair, requested a motion to approve the November 1, 2018, meeting minutes.
 - o Ms. Alice Bustillo motioned to approve the minutes as drafted.
 - Ms. Jennifer Ortiz seconded the motion.
- The motion carried with no dissenting votes.

FY 2019 Title II DMC Report

- **Mr. Steve Selover** advised of the revised DMC reporting requirements as part of the federal fiscal year 2019 Title II Formula Grants Program application due to the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) March 14.
- Mr. Selover reviewed the data and narrative components that must be included in the DMC plan. Mr. Selover asked the committee for their input on choosing the target jurisdiction for the action plan.
- The committee discussed different counties that were actively working to reduce DMC. The committee arrived at the consensus to focus on efforts conducted in Pinal County.
- **Ms. Ortiz** said she is very familiar with DMC work in Pinal County and will assist in providing the required information to ensure it is accurate and measurable. She advised Pinal County is working to address disparities in length of detention stay for African-American youth. **Ms. Ortiz** offered to provide **Mr. Selover** with Pinal County's Reducing Racial and Ethnic Disparities plan, which will be used to address the questions listed in the DMC section of the Title II application.
- Ms. Gándara, Chair, recommended the plan include a request to OJJDP for additional resources and information to guide best practices for addressing DMC, in addition to providing clearer expectations on what states should include in their DMC plans.

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- The committee acknowledge that the work conducted by the committee and the state will continue to expand further than what will be addressed in the Title II application.
- Mr. Selover will email the draft report once completed to the committee for comment.

DMC Committee Purpose/Scope of Work

- Committee members reviewed the one-page scope of work document that outlines the purpose and major functions of the DMC Committee. This document was updated based on feedback received during the November 1, 2018, meeting.
- **Ms. Gándara**, Chair, recommended that the Training bullet be changed to Training/Technical Assistance and highlight the provision of resources to stakeholders.
- Ms. Gándara, Chair, recommended that the paragraph on representation clearly include community stakeholders.
- Committee members decided to address additional membership and will consider external organizations and individuals who may be interested in participating on the committee.
- **Mr. Selover** advised due to the recent reauthorization of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act, DMC will be referred to as Racial and Ethnic Disparities (RED) when reauthorization takes effect October 1.
 - o **Ms. Bustillo** motioned to rename the DMC Committee the Racial and Ethnic Disparities Committee.
 - Ms. Ortiz seconded the motion as stated.
- The motion carried without objection.

2018 DMC Conference

• Mr. Earl Newton was not present to report on the 2018 DMC Conference. This agenda item will be postponed to a future meeting.

Call to the Public

• Ms. Gándara, Chair, made a call to the public. No public was present to answer the call.

Adjournment

- Ms. Gándara requested a motion to adjourn.
 - **Ms. Bustillo** motioned to adjourn the meeting.
 - **Ms. Ortiz** seconded the motion.
- The motion carried without objection. The meeting was adjourned at 11:15.

Dated March 1, 2019
AJJC DMC Committee
Submitted by Steve Selover, GOYFF Program Administrator